

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

11 MICHAEL JACE,

12 Plaintiff,

13 v.

14 MARGARET LIRONES, et al.,

15 Defendants.

Case No.: 1:22-cv-00419-ADA-CDB (PC)

**ORDER MODIFYING THE DISCOVERY
AND SCHEDULING ORDER**

(Docs. 45 & 47)

17 Plaintiff Michael Jace is proceeding pro se and *in forma pauperis* in this civil rights action
18 pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1983.

19 **I. BACKGROUND**

20 On August 30, 2023, the Court issued its Discovery and Scheduling Order. (Doc. 42.)
21 Relevant here, the order provided a November 30, 2023 deadline for amending pleadings and a
22 December 30, 2023 deadline for the filing of any exhaustion motion. (*Id.*)

23 On November 22, 2023, Plaintiff filed an Application for Extension of Time to Amend
24 Pleadings. (Doc. 45.) Specifically, Plaintiff seeks a 60-day extension of the deadline to amend
25 pleadings, “to and including January 29, 2024.” (*Id.*)

26 On December 18, 2023, Defendant filed an Ex Parte Application to Modify the Discovery
27 and Scheduling Order, seeking to extend the deadline for filing an exhaustion-based motion for
28 summary judgment by 45 days. (Doc. 47.)

1 **II. CONCLUSION AND ORDER**

2 For good cause shown, **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that:

3 1. Plaintiff's request for an extension of time (Doc. 45) is **GRANTED**. The deadline to
4 amend pleadings is extended from November 30, 2023, to **January 29, 2024**;

5 2. Defendant's request for an extension of time (Doc. 47) is **GRANTED**. The deadline
6 for the filing of an exhaustion motion is extended from December 30, 2023 to
7 **February 13, 2024**; and

8 3. No other deadlines provided for in the Discovery and Scheduling Order are affected
9 by this order. To the extent any party should seek a further extension, or an extension
10 of any deadline associated with discovery and scheduling in this matter, any extension
11 request should be filed at least one week prior to expiration of the relevant deadline or
12 deadlines. *See Local Rule 144(d)* ("Requests for Court-approved extensions brought
13 on the required filing date for the pleading or other document are looked upon with
14 disfavor," and instead, should be filed "as soon as the need for an extension becomes
15 apparent.").

16 IT IS SO ORDERED.

17 Dated: December 19, 2023


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19 UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

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